GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PS – PR&RD Department – Disciplinary proceedings initiated against Sri S.D.Koteswara Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, PR, Srikakulam (Zone-I) on OD in the O/o. the ENC, PR, Hyderabad and worked on OD basis as Asst. Engineer, Division-II, GHMC, Hyderabad (Now Retired) on the allegation of substandard execution of works and claiming bogus bills in Engineering Wing of South Zone and Rajendranagar Circle of G.H.M.C., Hyderabad - Charges framed – Punishment imposed - Review petition field – Allowed - Punishment reduced – Modified orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 836 **Dated: 29-10-2025**

Read the following:

1. Vigilance Report No.107 (782/V&E/E1/2010), dt.26.09.2013 of DG, V&E.
2. G.O.Rt.No.251, PR&RD (Vig.I) Dept., dt.10.02.2014.
3. D.O.Letter No.07SPL-N-COI/2016, dt.19.03.2018 of Sri. C.Sammi Reddy, IFS (Retd.), Commissioner of Inquiries, G.A.(Spl.N.-CSR) Dept., Govt. of TS.
4. Govt.Memo No.25956/Vig. I/A2/2013-5, dt.28.05.2018 of PR&RD (Vig.I) Dept., Govt. of TS.
5. Sri S.D. Koteswara Rao, Asst.Engineer (PR), O/o.the ENC,PR, Vijayawada, representations dt.13.07.2018 & 18.1.2019.
6. Letter No.25956/Vig.I/A2/2013-8, dt.17.12.2019 of Principal Secretary to Govt., PR&RD Dept., Telangana Secretariat, Hyderabad.
7. Govt. Memo No.5344/Vig.I/2019, PR&RD (Vig.I) Dept., dt.15.07.2020.
8. Letter No.Vig.I(1)/10654/2012, dated 21.09.2020 of ENC, PR, AP, Vijayawada.
9. Govt.Letter.No.5344/Vig.I/2019,PR&RD(Vig.I)Dept.dt.21.12.2020.
10. Letter No.424 /DC&C /2020, dt.27.01.2021 of Secretary, APPSC.
12. G.O.Rt.No.67, PR&RD (Vig.I) Dept., dt.12.02.2021.
13. Review Petition, dt.Nil of Sri S.D.Koteswara Rao, A.E. (Retd.)
14. Letter No.PRRD-VENG-I/1/2022-11, dt.23.04.2024 of PR&RD (Vig.Engg.) Dept., Govt. of Telangana.

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ORDER:

Whereas, in the reference 2nd read above, Government have initiated disciplinary proceedings against Sri S.D.Koteswara Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, PR, Srikakulam (Zone-I) on OD in the O/o.Engineer-in–Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad and worked on OD basis as Assistant Engineer, Division-II, GHMC, Hyderabad along with others, based on the recommendations of the DG, V&E, framed the following articles of charge under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

(P.T.O)

Charge:

That Sri S.D.Koteswara Rao, former Assistant Engineer, Division No.II (South Zone), GHMC, Hyderabad on OD basis, now working as A.E., PR Circle, Srikakulam and on OD in the O/o.Engineer-in-Chief, PR, Hyderabad, during his tenure as Assistant Engineer, Division No.II (South Zone), GHMC, Hyderabad, recorded fraudulent measurement of SS flooring resulting into excess measurements and excess payment of Rs.2,63,797/- in contravention of APCS (Conduct) Rules. 1964.

2. In the reference 12th read above, Government after following due procedure, have imposed a penalty of 15% cut in pension permanently against Sri S.D.Koteswara Rao, Assistant Engineer (PR) (Retired) under Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980, besides recovery of an amount of Rs.1,31,899/-, which is being 50% of excess payment made at bank rate + 2% as per Article 300 of A.P. Financial Code, Volume-I, in lump sum.

3. In the reference 13th read above, the Charged Officer has filed a review petition, before the Government wherein he has requested the Government to drop the punishment imposed on him.

4. The Government of Telangana, has submitted a report in this regard vide reference 14th read above on the punishments imposed on the other officers and irregularities involved in the case. Further, observed that the Superintendent Engineer, GHMC, Charminar Zone, Hyderabad has reported in his Letter, dt.26.5.2022 that he has personally inspected the work done site on 25.05.2022, along with accused officer, Sri S.D.Koteswra Rao, AE and taken photos of SS flooring work, which were executed and completed during 2011. Even after 11 years, all the works are visible and it is evident that all the 4 works were taken up and completed. Further, the Government has examined the case in consultation with the Advisory Departments.

5. Government after careful examination of the matter and after following due procedure, hereby decided and accordingly hereby order to modify the penalty of "withholding 15% Pension permanently besides recovery of an amount of Rs.1,31,899/-, which is being 50% of excess payment made at bank rate + 2% as per Article 300 of A.P. Financial Code, Volume-I , in lump sum" imposed against Sri S.D.Koteswara Rao, the then AE, PR, Srikakulam (Zone-I) on OD in the O/o. Engineer-in-Chief, PR, Hyderabad and worked on OD basis as Asst.Engineer, Division-II, GHMC, Hyderabad, now retired to that of "withholding of 10% pension for a period of two (2) years besides recovery of an amount of Rs.1,31,899/-, which is being 50% of excess payment made at bank rate + 2% as per Article 300 of A.P. Financial Code, Volume-I, in lump sum".

6. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada shall take further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri S.D.Koteswara Rao, Asst.Engineer (PR) (Retd.), H.No.16-2-705/1/B/a, Swathi Rukmini Das Plaza, Professors Colony, Back side of D-Mart, Malakpet, Hyderabad, Telangana State through Engineer in Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.

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The Engineer in Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada with a request to serve the copy to the individual and communicated the dated acknowledgment copy to Government.

Copyto:

The Secretary to VC, A.P. Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.
The OSD to the Hon'ble Dy.CM for PR&RD, RWS&S and EFS&T.
The P.S to Prl.Secy. to Govt., PR&RD Dept.
SF/SC.

//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER